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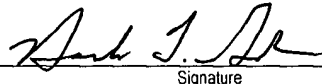
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Re: New U.S. Utility Patent Application Transmittal  
For: ZOOM LENS DEVICE  
By: Hitoshi HAGIMORI, Genta YAGYU, and  
Kazuhiko ISHIMARU  
Attorney Docket: 15162/06120

Dear Sir:

This Utility Patent Application Transmittal is submitted in connection with ZOOM LENS DEVICE, Hitoshi HAGIMORI, Genta YAGYU, and Kazuhiko ISHIMARU, inventors.

Enclosed herewith are the following:

### APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- (1) A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter (containing a breakdown of amount of fees due and deposit account authorization);
- (2) Specification (32 pages, including 10 claims and an abstract);
- (3) Formal Drawings (13 sheets) (Figs. 1-13); and
- (4) Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (8 pages).

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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:**

- (5) Information Disclosure Statement (4 pages);
- (6) PTO-1449 Form (1 page);
- (7) Copies of twenty (20) references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement;
- (8) Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document (2 pages) transmitting a certified copy of Japanese Priority Document No. 2003-093529 (42 pages);
- (9) Assignment (2 pages) of the invention to MINOLTA CO., LTD., with attached Recordation Form Cover Sheet (1 page) (in duplicate); and
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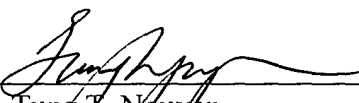
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